

Grand Rapids Planning Commission

Minutes October 13, 2008

Present: Chairman Raymond Weber; members,, Tom Arnold, Rodney Dorski, Mike Speich, Eugene Zager and Jeanne Fehrman-Town Supervisor/Liason. Dorski moved, Arnold second, unanimously dispensed with reading and approved September 8, 2008 minutes.

- 1. Laura Rowe:** 4110 Bristol Ct., Conditional Use Permit for a 4th indoor dog. All dogs are Field Spaniels and are house dogs. The refuse is usually cleaned up daily, the newest dog is 1-1/2 years old and not neutered. The previous owner may want to use this dog for breeding within one year.

Speich moved, Dorski second to recommend to the Town Board to grant a Conditional Use Permit to Laura Rowe with the stipulations that there be no boarding or breeding on premises. A kennel license is not required as the dogs will be indoor pets only. 3 for – 2 against, vote carried.

- 2. Donahue Super Sports – Bob Donahue (Donahue Investments, LLC):** 6821 Plover Rd., has presented a Land Use Permit for a 50' X 100' addition to their existing cold storage building. This building will be wired and have a concrete floor. The builder will be Cleary Builders.

Zager moved, Arnold second to approve the Land Use Permit for the 50' X 100' addition to the existing cold storage building provided that they meet the setback requirements and plans are submitted to the Building Inspector. Vote unanimous.

- 3. Dan & Janet Porter :**1330 Pine Ave., has presented a Conditional Use Permit for a 16' X 40' portable quanset style greenhouse. It will have a gravel floor and be heated by a propane furnace, the same as the other greenhouses on the property.

Dorski moved, Arnold second to recommend the approval of the Conditional Use Permit to the Town Board with the stipulation that if the property be sold the greenhouse be removed. Vote unanimous.

- 4. Phil Casper:** 2731 Golf Course Rd., combine and rezone 2 lots to Agricultural. Casper did not submit the CSM for approval or rezoning but instead asked the commission for guidance. He would like more storage space to work on his own vehicles with the capability of installing a hoist.

Arnold moved, Zager second to recommend to the Town Board future approval of the CSM and rezoning of the Property owned by Casper upon presentation of the CSM to the Town Board. Vote unanimous.

- 5. Neil Heinrich:** 3320 44th St. S., has requested a Conditional Use Permit for new home on a Commercial lot located in the 5200 block of Wazeecha Ave. He will present more detailed plans to the building inspector and adhere to all setback requirements of the town. Heinrich has also brought to the attention of the Planning Commission his desire to build a storage building with water and a private sewage system in the near future. He is aware that he will have to apply for a Land Use Permit for the storage building before building.

Speich moved, Arnold second to recommend to the Town Board approval of the Conditional Use Permit with the stipulations that Heinrich meet all setback requirements and that the home be set back approximately 400' from the midpoint of the lot frontage on Wazeecha Ave. Vote unanimous.

7. Joel Carlson: 3520 Deer Rd., has presented a Conditional Use Permit for a 48' X 30' detached garage. Carlson failed to present a site plan or a building plan for review. Will be rescheduled for the next meeting.

Arnold moved, Speich second to table until plans are submitted. Vote unanimous.

8. Darrel Bassuener: 2230 Whitrock Ave., has presented a Conditional Use Permit for a 30' X 50' garage on a vacant lot with the plans to build a home within 1 year. Bassuener has been advised as to the setbacks in the town and will abide by them. The garage will be of the same architectural design as the future home.

Arnold moved, Zager second to recommend to the Town Board approval of the Conditional Use Permit to build a 30' X 50' garage of the same architectural design of the future home on the vacant lot at 2230 Whitrock Ave., adhering to all setback requirements of the Town and with the stipulation that a residence be built within one year. 4 yes-1 no, vote carried.

9. Review of Salvage Yards in the Township: Noted the involvement of the DNR in regards to the property located on Wolosek Ave. and 6620 Plover Rd. Fuehrer asked the Planning Commission for clarification in regards to the property located at 6620 Plover Rd.. The Planning Commission instructed Fuehrer to approach the current owner and invite him to the next meeting to review requirements for business. In regards to the Wolosek Ave. property, issue citations as required per code.

10. East Arterial Roadway Discussion: The Planning Commission has expressed concern about the presented feasibility study. It was noted that the DOT would like the Planning Commission and the Town Board's input as to the report. Fehrman noted that if anyone would like to send a cover letter that she would see that it got to the Town's clerk to be submitted with our concerns.

11. Zoning Administrators Report: Fuehrer has no new business to report.

12. Other Public Input: Weber wants applicants to be aware that a site plan and building plan need to be submitted before they can be an agenda item.

Tentative meeting date---October 27, 2008

Zager moved, Arnold second, adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes by Planning Commission Secretary

Lorelei Fuehrer